specially mentioning in the latter case the name and number of seats in each constituency;

(b) the number of seats filled in each case without contest, and after contest;

(c) the number of votes in each constituency ; and

(d) the percentage of votes polled to total number of electors in contested constituencies?

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

(a) The member is referred to Schedule I to Rule 4 (1) of the Cochin Legislative Council Electoral Rules.

(b)

Constituency.	Without contest.	After contest.
General.	2	21
Special.	3	4

(c) The member is referred to the final Electoral Rolls published in the Gazette.

(d) 72·7%.

A List of Resolutions passed in the Council.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

128. (a) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of resolutions passed by the Legislative Council at its last session together with a statement showing what action, if any, has been taken by the Government in giving effect to the same ?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to lay such a statement on the table at every session of the Council regarding the resolutions passed at the previous session and action by the Government thereon ?

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

(a) & (b) Government regret that they do not find their way to comply with the requisition.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

The Government do not find its way to comply with the requisition. That will reduce the work of the Council members.

PRESIDENT.

Questions may be asked on this point. Why should we work unnecessarily ?

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Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

What resolutions were passed, members know. What action is taken on them? That, of course, they do not know.

PRESIDENT.

It does not come by way of a supplementary question.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

They have not given sufficient attention to this work.

PRESIDENT.

They did not find it convenient or proper to tell the House what all actions are taken on the resolutions passed.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

That is to say, the Government will not comply with the requisition. It ought to be complied with.

PRESIDENT.

The Government say it cannot be complied with. I cannot give you any other answer on the spur of the moment.

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

I do not think that this supplementary question arises from the prior question.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

Sir, I rise to a point of order. When the President is asked, that is left to the discretion of the President and not to any member of the Council.

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

I never questioned that. I merely suggested this to the President. It was for the information of the House.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

Sir, why not the Government follow Travancore in this respect also ?

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

An identical question was put by me. I asked for a statement of the resolutions which were accepted, after it had been passed in the Council.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

The Secretary to the Travancore Legislative Council was in a position to answer when such a question was put to the Council.

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

Reference was made on this point to the Travancore Legislative Council and this is the answer.

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Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

Are not the members entitled to know whether the Government have accepted the resolutions passed in this Council ?

PRESIDENT.

In due course, all that will be published.

Mr. O. R. CHUMMAR.

In that case, the second part of the question can be answered

PRESIDENT.

This question is more or less of a general nature. Take a particular resolution and ask with reference to it what has been done? If the question is asked in that way, I can understand it.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

May I know, Sir, whether the Secretary cannot sit and read out the questions?

PRESIDENT.

I was thinking of the subject, and as to why this question occurred to none. On the first day, he rose and read the questions; similarly on the following days; and this is the last day, and now only is the question put. At first, I ruled that he could sit, but, out of deference to the House, I thought I should ask him to stand and read the questions

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

I noticed it, Sir, and it is very satisfactory to us. We noticed it, Sir, on the very first day, but we did not make any comments.

PRESIDENT

I think there is nothing against my ruling in the Secretary's standing and answering. On the other hand, he is doing a very right thing.

Dr. A. G. MENON.

For the information of the House, may I ask what will be done with the remaining questions?

PRESIDENT.

They may be continued for the next meeting, and so no further notice is necessary for them.

A List of Questions, Resolutions and Bills disallowed at every Session.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

129. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of questions, resolutions and bills disallowed at every

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